

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 402

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the members and coaches of the Greeneville High School boys' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA Division I Class AA state championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary group of young athletes is the Greeneville High School boys' basketball team, whose members have all proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and truly worthy of admiration by winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Division I Class AA state championship; and

WHEREAS, capturing the program's first state title, the Greene Devils won on a clutch three-point shot from the corner by Connor DeBusk in the final seconds to defeat Jackson South Side by one point, 47-46; and

WHEREAS, the Greeneville Greene Devils faced fierce opponents in each round of the state tournament, defeating Bolivar Central by a score of 61-58 in the quarterfinals and overpowering Upperman, 47-41, to claim the victory in the semifinals and punch their ticket to the championship game; and

WHEREAS, the Greene Devils were led by Mr. Basketball finalist and tournament MVP Jakobi Gillespie, who was joined on the all-tournament team by teammates Reid Satterfield and Connor DeBusk; and

WHEREAS, the Greene Devils' superb victory may not have been possible without the stellar leadership of their head coach, Brad Woolsey, and assistant coaches, Josh Bennett and Nathan Hale; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Greeneville High School boys' basketball team epitomize all that is good in today's student athlete, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship season but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Greeneville High School boys' basketball team on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the members and coaches of the Greeneville High School boys' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA Division I Class AA state championship and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.